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Advisory Action

Application No.

09/705,721

Applicant(s)

KOBAYASHI ET AL.

Examiner

Gevell Selby

Art Unit

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THE REPLY FILED 1/4/05 and 1/18/05 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.
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Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
- (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
- (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
- (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____

3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
4. ☒ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) 2, 3, and 16 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☐ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☐ will not be entered or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

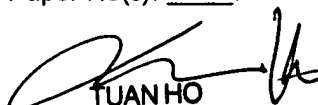
Claim(s) allowed: 2, 3, 16.

Claim(s) objected to: _____.

Claim(s) rejected: 4 and 5.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

8. ☐ The drawing correction filed on _____ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____.
10. ☐ Other: _____


TUAN HO
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The applicants submit that Gowda reference fails to disclose a printer-incorporated electronic still camera comprising:

"a detection device for detecting whether or not the recording medium is loaded in the still camera, and
and a control device for controlling the display device to display a group of setup items that relate to the photography mode initially if the still camera is not loaded with the recording medium when the setup mode is selected, or a group of setup items that relate to the print mode initially if the still camera is loaded with the recording medium when the setup mode is selected." The examiner respectfully disagrees.

Examiner's Response:

The Gowda reference discloses a power source (138) in the film cartridge that powers the camera (see column 6, lines 51-54). The electrical connection for the power source serves as a detection device. Disclosing whether the camera has the necessary capability to recognize that the supply power is equal to the presence of a loaded instant film cartridge is not necessary for the connection to be a detection device. The recording medium is detected as loaded when the connection is made and a power signal is received. The control device (118) provides for a menu group to be displayed on each of the two preview screens (see column 6, lines 14-18). By displaying a menu with items related to the photography mode on one screen and a menu with items related to the print mode on the other screen at the same time, the photography mode menu will be viewable initially, if the still camera is not loaded with the recording medium and the print mode menu will be viewable initially, if the still camera is loaded with the recording medium when the setup mode is selected. Therefore, the Gowda reference discloses the printer-incorporated camera claimed in claims 4 and 5.